

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace paragraph [004] on page 1 with the following paragraph:

[004] ~~It is thus the~~One object of the present invention ~~is~~ to provide a crockery basket for use in dishwashers wherein the height position of the racks in the crockery basket can be variably configured to improve the possibilities for varying the arrangement of the items to be washed in the crockery basket and on the rack.

Please replace paragraph [005] on page 1 with the following paragraph:

[005] This object is solved by the crockery basket according to the invention with ~~the~~ features ~~according to claim 1 described herein~~. Advantageous further developments ~~of the present invention are characterised in the dependent claims 2 to 12~~are also described.

Please replace paragraph [011] on page 3 with the following paragraph:

[011] The crockery basket consists for example of a wickerwork of plastic-coated wires, the crockery basket more appropriately comprising a number of substantially horizontal meshes arranged one above the other, on which at least one rack can be disposed at different height positions. In this case, the rack is fixed on the crockery basket by fixing ~~means~~structure which ~~are~~is preferably detachably arranged on the meshes of the crockery basket at different height positions. The fixing ~~means~~structure can thus be detachably connected to the crockery basket and to the rack.

Please replace paragraph [021] on page 5 with the following paragraph:

The crockery basket 1 has a plurality of devices or fixing ladders 4 with holding elements 5 at different height positions for racks ~~5~~ which are each arranged at the point of intersection between horizontal meshes 2 and perpendicular wires 7 on the crockery basket 1. In the present exemplary embodiment the fixing ladders 4 are made of plastic and are detachably connected to the crockery basket 1. In this first embodiment of the crockery basket 1 according to the invention two fixing ladders 4 are provided for each rack 3.